LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF LOUISIANA, OFFICE OF CONSERVATION, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA.

In accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, and with particular reference to the provisions of Title 30 of Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, a public hearing will be held in the Conservation Auditorium, 1st Floor, State Land & Natural Resources Building, 625 North 4th Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 9:00 a.m., on **TUESDAY**, **JANUARY 30**, **2001**, upon the application of **SWIFT ENERGY COMPANY**.

At such hearing the Commissioner of Conservation will consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the **Saratoga Formation**, **Reservoir A**, in the Pitkin Field, Vernon Parish, Louisiana.

- 1. To establish rules and regulations and to create a single drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of oil and gas from the Saratoga Formation, Reservoir A, such unit to be designated SAR RA SUA.
- 2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed unit with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
- 3. To provide that the gas allowable provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-F, LAC 43:XIX.2101, et seq., should not apply to horizontal wells drilled to the Saratoga Formation, Reservoir A, but that all such wells should be given an allowable based on the maximum efficient rate (MER) of the well, being the maximum sustainable daily withdrawal rate from the reservoir which will permit economical development and reservoir depletion without causing waste.
- 4. To provide for special field spacing rules for future horizontal wells drilled to the Saratoga Formation, Reservoir A, as follows: (a) said wells shall not be located closer than 1,000 feet to any East or West unit boundary; (b) the penetration point or terminus of any lateral of any such horizontal well shall not be located closer than 50 feet to any North or South unit boundary; and (c) there shall be no well spacing limitations between wells other than that accomplished by application of the aforestated provisions.
- 5. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation should be authorize to reclassify the Saratoga Formation, Reservoir A, by supplemental order without the necessity of a public hearing if the producing characteristics of the reservoir change and evidence to justify such reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation.
- 6. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The Saratoga Formation, in the Pitkin Field, Vernon Parish, Louisiana, is hereby defined as being that oil and gas bearing sand encountered between the depths of 12,476' and 13,677' (ELM) in the Swift Energy Company - Swenco Minerals 18 No. 1 Well, located in Section 18, Township 1 South, Range 4 West.

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PITKIN FIELD 00-59

A plat is available for inspection in the Office of Conservation in **Baton Rouge** and **Lafayette**, Louisiana.

All parties having interest therein shall take notice thereof.

BY ORDER OF:

PHILIP N. ASPRODITES COMMISSIONER OF CONSERVATION

Baton Rouge, La 12/19/00;12/22/00 L dpe

IF ACCOMMODATIONS ARE REQUIRED UNDER AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, PLEASE CONTACT <u>DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES</u>, PERSONNEL SECTION AT P.O. BOX 94396, BATON ROUGE, LA 70804-9396 IN WRITING OR BY TELEPHONE (225) 342-2134 BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:00 A.M. AND 4:30 P.M., MONDAY THRU FRIDAY WITHIN TEN (10) WORKING DAYS OF THE HEARING DATE.